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Deposits can be ascertained on application.
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CHARTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 6, 1893. 247

THE MERCHANT BANK OF
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Branches:
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Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months, 5%
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JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, June 16, 1893. 228

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £10,000,000.
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per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 16, 1895. 343

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

CORPORATE DIRECTORS:
D. GILLIES, Esq., H. STOLZENFELT, Esq.,
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Esq.,
KWAN HOI CHUN, Esq.,
GEO. W. F. PLATT, Esq.,
Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%.

Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1711

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is con-
ducted by the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
Rules may be obtained on ap-
plication.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at
3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum. Depositors
may transfer at their option balances of
£100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on
FIXED DEPOSIT at 5 PER CENT. per
annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 15, 1893. 1615

CHAN A-TONG,
COAL MERCHANT.

No. 6, ARDEN STREET, EAST.
Business Office, No. 21, GILBERT STREET.

Intimations.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE.

No. 14 of 1894.—In the Matter of SAN
TAI LUNG, lately carrying on
business at 21, Jervois Street, as Silk Piece
Goods Dealers, the Debtors were ad-
judged bankrupt on the 4th March instant,
and Mr. BAUCE STEPHEN was appointed
Trustee. A DIVIDEND will be declared
on WEDNESDAY, the 1st May next, at 12
o'clock at Noon. Creditors who have not
proved their Debts by that time will be
excluded.

No. 1 of 1895.—In the Matter of LO
CHEE alias LO KWAI, trading as the
'TYE LEE', at 44, Hollywood Road,
Contractor. A Receiving Order was made
on the 15th March instant, on the Petition
of LUNG CHING NAM, a Creditor, dated
the 10th January, 1895. The First General
MEETING OF CREDITORS will be held
at the Land Office, Queen's Road Central,
on FRIDAY, the 5th day of April, 1895,
at 12 o'clock at Noon.

No. 2 of 1895.—In the Matter of LAM
PAK HANG, of the CHING YUEN,
lately carrying on business at 17, Mercer
Street, as a Dealer in Piece Goods. The
First General MEETING OF CREDITORS
will be held at the Land Office, Queen's
Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 4th
day of April, 1895, at 12 o'clock at Noon.

No. 12A of 1893.—In the Matter of
KWOK KAI, lately trading as FU NAM
KU, at 159, Queen's Road Central, Eating
House Keeper. A DIVIDEND will be
declared on WEDNESDAY, the 1st May
next, at 12 o'clock at Noon. Creditors
who have not proved their Debts by that
time will be excluded.

No. 6 of 1893.—In the Matter of
ROBERT LANG, lately carrying on busi-
ness at No. 26, Queen's Road Central, as
a Tailor and Outfitter. A Final DIVI-
DEND will be declared on WEDNESDAY,
the 1st May next, at 12 o'clock at Noon.
Creditors who have not proved their Debts
by that time will be excluded.

No. 3 of 1894.—In the Matter of AL-
FRED EDWIN SKEELS, lately carrying on
business at 17, Praya Central, Com-
mission Merchant. A DIVIDEND of 50%
per cent. has been declared and is payable
on application at the Land Office of next
after WEDNESDAY, the 3rd April next.
The Application of the Debtor for his
Discharge will be heard at the Supreme
Court on FRIDAY, the 10th April next, at
12 o'clock (Noon).

No. 11 of 1894.—In the Matter of
SMITH-ALLISTON, lately carrying on
business at 4, Queen's Road Central,
Merchant. DIVIDEND of 6 per cent. has
been declared and is payable on application
at the Land Office on and after WEDNES-
DAY, the 3rd April next. The Applica-
tion of the Debtor for his Discharge will
be heard at the Supreme Court on FRIDAY,
the 10th April next, at 12 o'clock (Noon).
Dated the 30th March, 1895.

BRUCE SHEPHERD,
Official Receiver,
LAND OFFICE.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT

7 PER CENT. SILVER LOAN

OF 1895, E.

17th HALF-YEARLY DRAWING.

INTEREST DUE AND DRAWN BONDS
of this LOAN will be PAYABLE at
the Office of the Corporation on and
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Letters or Drawn Bonds can be obtained
on application to the Undersigned.

For the
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION,
Agents Issuing the Loan,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 30, 1895. 615

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commodation to Residents and Travellers.
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to each floor, in charge of experienced
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Periods.

P. BOHEM,
Proprietor and Manager.

Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

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Co.,

Wine and Spirit Merchants,
13, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1612

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at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. on the
Daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 5%
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 17, 1894. 895

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VISITORS.

TRAMWAY TICKETS are supplied to Residents and Visitors at the HOTEL at
reduced rates.

For further Particulars, apply at the OFFICE 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, or to
THE MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, September 24, 1894. 1523

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Telephone Address, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code. Telephone No. 32.

BOARD and LODGING, from \$4.00 per day.

HYDRAULIC LIFT to all Floors.

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to and from all Mail Steamers.

ROOMS TO LET on 2nd and 3rd Floors, FURNISHED or
UNFURNISHED.

E. J. RICHARDSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, January 21, 1895. 157

W. POWELL & Co.

EX GLENGARRY AND MANILA.

FIRST DELIVERIES

OF

SUMMER STOCK.

W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, March 14, 1895. 529

H.-KONG TRADING CO.

FOR

TABLE LINEN.

FURNISHING GOODS.

BILLIARD CLOTH AND GEAR.

No. 1 to 5, D'AGUILAR STREET,
AND
Under HONGKONG HOTEL.

J. P. COTTAM,
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Light Bitter Ale

IN SMALL CASKS.

A LIGHT Wholesome Beverage, brewed from MALT and HOPS only.
Equal in every respect to the best Light Gravity Ales brewed at home. It is
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Beers bottled with drugs.

Price ex godowns—Fifteen, 9 gallons.....\$ 7.50.
Kilograms, 18 " ".....\$15 00.

WATTS & Co.,
Sole Agents for the SHANGHAI BREWERY Co.,
Ice House Street, Hongkong.

Hongkong, March 23, 1895. 588

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JUST LANDED EX CHANGSHA.

BACON. ROLLED. BACON. BACON.

Per lb. 45 CENTS.

Having been appointed SOLE AGENTS for these Articles, I am in a position to
offer at REDUCED PRICES.

H. RUTTONJEE, 13, D'AGUILAR STREET.

Hongkong, March 22, 1895. 573

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"More wholesome than any
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WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES

named:—

FOR. STEAMSHIP. DATE. REMARKS.

SHANGHAI AND KOBE.....Bemba.....Noon, 3rd April.....Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI.....Rosetta.....About 7th April.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c.....Pekin.....Noon, 11th April.....See Special Advertisement.

JAPAN.....Aconia.....Daylight, 13th April.....Freight or Passage.

LONDON.....Mantla.....About 13th April.....Freight or Passage (calling
at MARSEILLES, if sufficient
inducement offers).

LONDON.....Bemba.....About 1st May.....Freight or Passage (calling
at MARSEILLES, if sufficient
inducement offers).

For further Particulars, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, ALE. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 621

By ROYAL WARRANT To HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

Awarded 25 Gold and Prize Medals.

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Dewar's Perth Whisky.

Contractors to most of the British Parliaments.

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SHEWAN & Co., Hongkong. F. BAIRD REID, Shanghai.
POWELL & Co., Singapore. KERR & Co., Bangkok.
F. ENGLER & Co., Saigon.

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AUSTRALIAN BUTTER.

WOOD'S CELEBRATED COW BRAND

VICTORIAN BUTTER.

HOPKINS, CUMMING & Co.,
64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG,
Sole Agents, Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, January 28, 1895. 203

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. CHARLES

SASSOON GUBBAY to SIGN our

Firm from this date.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, April 1, 1895. 623

NOTICE.

MR. ARTHUR ANDERSON is autho-
rized to SIGN our Firm per Procura-
tion from this date.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.
Hongkong, March 13, 1895. 525

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND
STRAITS.

THE Steamship Glenlochy having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed at their risk
into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,
Limited, at Kowloon, whose delivery may
be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
NOON TO DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
7th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all
Claims for damages and/or shortages not
later than the 14th instant, otherwise they
will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 1, 1895. 620

Intimations.

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE
FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. Special
attention to Ladies' comfort. Accommo-
dation for Table Boarders. Central situa-
tion.

Mrs. MATHER,
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Hongkong, July 24, 1893. 1287

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PRICE VERY MODERATE.

ORDERS to be respectfully received by
the Undersigned.

MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA,
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Hongkong, January 2, 1894. 1

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
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FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

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To-day's Advertisements.

CITY HALL.

MEINELSON'S
HYMN OF PRAISE,
With ORCHESTRA and CHORUS of
100 PERFORMERS,
on
THURSDAY, 4th April, and
SATURDAY, 6th April,
at 9.15 p.m.

Seats can be booked with Messrs. KELLY
& WALSH.
Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 629

KUNGHOW DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 7.
Disappearance of Middle Channel Buoy.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Middle
Channel Buoy in Hainan Strait
has disappeared.

Due Notice will be given when it is re-
placed in position.

C. J. PRICE,
Acting Harbour Master.

Approved,
F. S. UNWIN,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Kunghow, 1st April, 1895. 630

S. I. N. T. I. N. G.

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TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.

Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 638

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Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 636

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Good light. Possession from 1st
May.

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Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 627

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PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
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RUSSIA.

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Freuen..... Monday April 29.
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Bayern (a)..... Monday July 22.
Freuen..... Monday August 19.

ON SATURDAY, the 6th day of April,
1895, at 7 a.m., the Company's
Steamship **BAYERN**, Capt. SCHMIDT,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPEDIES,
and CARGO, will leave this port as above,
calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

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noon, on SATURDAY, the 6th March,
and Special will be received on board
until noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd
April, and Passengers will be received (at
the Agency's Office) until noon, on TUES-
DAY, the 4th April. Contents of Packages
are required. No Parcel Receipts will be
signed for less than 50 lbs. and parcels
not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measure-
ment.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.

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Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 630

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(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE
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TRIESTE.

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The Co.'s Steamship
Guido, will
leave this port as above
on TUESDAY, the 9th instant, at 3
p.m. prior to date of sailing.
For further information, as to Freight
and Freight, apply to
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 635

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR LONDON VIA SUZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship
Capt. THOMSON, will be
dispatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 10th instant,
at 3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.
For further information, as to Freight
and Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 2, 1895. 634

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bremen & Ports of Call.	Bayern (a).	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	April 6, at 7 a.m.
Hohow and Bangkok.	Continental (a).	Butterfield & Swire.	April 6.
London & Ports of Call.	Freuen (a).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	April 13, daylight.
London & Ports of Call.	Prinz Heinrich (a).	P. & O. S. N. Co.	April 11, at noon.
London & Ports of Call.	Freuen (a).	Butterfield & Swire.	April 10.
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THE LABOUR CRISIS.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The following letter was addressed by the Government to the Chamber of Commerce to-day:—

Colonial Secretary's Office,
2nd April, 1895.

Sir,—I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to state for the information of the Chamber of Commerce and for communication to the representatives of the Shipping Industry in the Colony, that the following facts have been brought to his knowledge in connection with the present strike.

(1) That several firms have had offers from 9,000 coolies at the usual stevedore rates, provided that permanent employment as stevedores for a period of years was guaranteed to the maker or makers of the offer.

(2) That such offers have in each case been declined owing to the reluctance of the firms concerned to dispense with the services of their present employees despite the fact that those employees refuse to work and to comply with the law.

(3) That several firms have a clause in their agreements with their coolies to the effect that the latter bind themselves to supply coolies to work on any vessel at any time and in any number that may be necessary.

(4) That in no instance does it appear that any of the firms in question have taken the necessary steps to enforce by law the clause referred to, although their coolies have failed to fulfil the terms of their agreements.

From the above facts it appears that although many of the leading firms have had it in their power to take steps calculated to put an end to the present strike by engaging persons who are willing and ready to obtain labour, or by resorting to legal measures, they have remained passive, and desire to cast the entire responsibility on the Government.

It is not for me to avoid any responsibility that may rightly fall upon the Government, but the Government cannot but regard the inaction referred to above as inconsistent with the public professions of loyalty to the Government and with the promises of strong support and hearty co-operation in the present strike which have been made by the Chamber, and His Excellency would therefore appeal to the representatives of the Commercial firms of this Colony to give practical effect to those professions of loyalty and promises of co-operation by no longer hesitating to take any steps which are willing to obtain labour and by taking the other steps indicated above not only in protection of their own interests, but in support of the Government.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,
(Sd.) J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary,
The Secretary, Chamber of Commerce.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

There is a popular impression that the strike is likely to terminate to-morrow, but we have been unable to discover what substantial grounds there are for entertaining this belief. That it is far the holding out of the coolies is concerned in accordance with the territorial instructions of the head-coolies. But, on the other hand, there appears to be no reason why the strike should not terminate to-morrow, if the employers of labour are willing to accept of co-operation with the authorities. In the compound of the Central Police Station at 11 o'clock this morning there were upwards of 300 coolies waiting for hire, and the Captain Superintendent of Police and his zealous officers had already supplied a large number of the coolies of the morning, men who were willing to go to work at once under police protection. Except under the pressure of the water police, however, the masters of the cargo boats appear to be obstinate.

The men of the Rifle Brigade and of the Hongkong Regiment are still employed at the P. and O. Bombay, the C.P.R. Express of China, the Yuenyang and other vessels. One of the Rifle Brigade succeeded in arresting a coolie on the Quay, in front of the P. and O. offices, for snatching another coolie on the forehead. We are informed that this guard had nothing whatever to do with the strike.

We understand that the police have reliable information regarding the three men who first gave currency to the false assertion that the Government intended to levy a poll-tax, reward of \$1000 was offered for information. The three men—coolie-house keepers—are, of course, outside the Colony.

We also hear that the Japanese Government have expressed their willingness to permit coolies to engage their services for work in Hongkong, with the guarantee of protection while in the Colony. The men have already been promised from Japan and the Northern Port of China, and if the strike continues, it is the intention of the Shipping firms here to avail themselves of such assistance. The coolies here would, therefore, be well to be on their guard against the inevitable consequences of such action.

The introduction of labour from outside will not be a pleasant thing for the Cantonese who naturally dread the possible invasion of the Southern Provinces by the Japanese. Hongkong has been looked upon hitherto as a haven of safety. The new state of things which is here pointed to may change all that. So the Cantonese should take warning in time.

STRIKES OF COOLIES.

We are informed that coolies are to be obtained on application to the Captain Superintendent of Police.

The following notice has been forwarded to us by the Colonial Secretary for publication in reply to a telegram to the British Consul at Amoy from the Colonial Secretary enquiring whether labouring coolies could be procured in that neighbourhood, an answer has been received that some coolies can be procured at once, wages six to seven dollars a month, and that in a short time thousands of coolies could be got.

SUPREME COURT.

IN COLONIAL COURT OF ADMIRALTY, IN APPEAL.

(Before the Full Court, with Commander W. C. H. Halliday, R.N. retired, as Naval Assessor.)

Tuesday, April 2.

NOTICE.—The case of *The German* vs. *The British*, 1895.

This was a motion by Counsel for the defendants to vary the judgment delivered on the 19th December last by Acting Judge Justice Adair, by reducing the amount of salvage remuneration awarded on the ground that the amount of the award was excessive. Judgment may be rendered, was given for \$20,000, with costs.

Mr. A. J. Leitch, C.C., instructed by Mr. R. G. Ellis, (for the appellants, and Mr. J. Francis, C.C., instructed by Mr. A. B. Johnson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, for the respondents.

Arguments were heard at great length.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

ANNUAL COMPETITIONS.

The annual competitions of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps—Field Battery and Maxim Gun Company—took place at the Rifle Range, Kowloon, on the 23rd and 24th ult. The competitions were the most successful yet held in connection with the Corps, and if the members had only better facilities for practice there would doubtless be more general interest taken in future competitions. Our space is too limited to-night to deal in detail with the various competitions, so we confine ourselves to recording that the Ladies' Firms was presented by Miss Barker, to whom distinguished by E. C. Shepherd, the winner of the first prize, presented a beautiful bouquet, to which were attached the colours of the Corps, old gold, blue and red.

The following are the prize-winners, with the best scores in each of the events:

Handicap, 200 yards (prize by Lieut. Adamson), 7 rounds.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Corpl. Firth	29	4	33
Gunner Stewart	32	0	32
Gunner Toppin	29	7	32
Gunner Hunter	27	5	31
Sergeant Lewis	25	6	30
Handicap, 400 yards (prize by Lieut. Chapman), 7 rounds.			
Gunner Henderson	32	3	35
Gunner Crombie	27	8	33
Gunner W. W. Lamont	31	2	32
Gunner Hayward	31	0	31
Gunner Shepherd	31	0	31
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Handicap, 500 yards (prize by Lieutenant McNeill), 7 rounds.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Sergeant Brown	29	3	32
Gunner Doss	26	6	32
Gunner Henderson	25	7	32
Gunner Shepherd	31	0	31
Gunner Crombie	25	6	31
Sergeant Hayward	29	0	30

Aggregate Handicap—200, 400 and 500 yards—(1st prize by Captain McNeill, 2nd prize by D. R. Sassoon, Esq., 3rd prize from Prize Fund), 7 rounds at each range.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Gunner Henderson	77	20	97
Gunner Crombie	77	18	95
Gunner Shepherd	91	0	91
S.-S.-M. Duncan	82	8	88
Sergeant Lewis	83	4	87
Gunner W. W. Lamont	83	3	86
Gunner Shepherd having resigned this event, the 3rd prize is carried off by the 4th man.			

Aggregate Net Score—(Championship Cup, 2nd prize presented by D. Gillies, Esq.), 7 rounds at 200, 400, and 500 yards—open to Members of the Field Battery only.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Gunner Stewart	32	31	22
Sergeant Hayward	23	31	23
Sergeant Lewis	30	28	23
S.-S.-M. Duncan	27	26	26
Gunner Henderson	23	23	26
Corpl. R. F. Lamont	22	26	27

Aggregate Net Score—(Championship Cup, 2nd prize presented by D. Gillies, Esq.), 7 rounds at 200, 400 and 500 yards—open to Members of the Maxim Gun Co. only.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Corpl. E. C. Shepherd	29	31	31
Corpl. W. W. Lamont	27	31	28
Gunner Crombie	25	27	27
Corpl. Firth	25	27	27
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Handicap 200, 400, 500 yards (prize presented by Members of the Corps)—Open to Officers only.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Capt. McNeill	27	26	19
Capt. Murray	21	24	10

For Seven Volleys, Kneeling, at 300 yards (prize from Prize Fund).

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Sergeant Mainland's Sub-division	39		
Sergeant Lewis	39		
Sergeant Hayward	39		
Sergeant Doyle	39		
Sergeant Sanders (2 men short)	20		
Total Net Score, 7 rounds at 200 yards (Three prizes presented by the Ladies of the Community per Miss Barker).			
Gunner Shepherd	26		
Gunner Lewis	22		
Sergeant Sanders	22		
Gunner Hopkins	22		
Gunner Wilkinson	22		
Corporal Thompson	21		

Total Net Score—7 rounds at 300 yards (open to Members nominated by a Lady).

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Nominators.			
Miss Munner.	27		
Miss Lowrie.	27		
Miss G. B. Lamont.	27		
Miss G. P. Lamont.	27		
Miss Stewart.	25		
Miss Rutter.	25		
Miss Shepherd.	22		
Miss Broad.	22		
Miss Lamont.	22		
Miss Bayan.	21		
Miss Ross.	21		
Miss Barker.	21		
Miss G. B. Lamont.	20		

Total Balls in all events (prize by Capt. Murray).

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Gunner Shepherd	23		
Gunner Stewart	21		
Gunner W. W. Lamont	19		
Gunner Shepherd having resigned this event, the Tie will be shot off for the prize.			

H.K.V.C. Championship Cup, presented by Hon. J. J. Kewick.

To be won two years in succession before becoming the property of the Holder.

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Gunner Crombie	25	6	31
Sergeant Hayward	29	0	30

Aggregate Handicap—200, 400 and 500 yards—(1st prize by Captain McNeill, 2nd prize by D. R. Sassoon, Esq., 3rd prize from Prize Fund), 7 rounds at each range.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Gunner Henderson	77	20	97
Gunner Crombie	77	18	95
Gunner Shepherd	91	0	91
S.-S.-M. Duncan	82	8	88
Sergeant Lewis	83	4	87
Gunner W. W. Lamont	83	3	86
Gunner Shepherd having resigned this event, the 3rd prize is carried off by the 4th man.			

Aggregate Net Score—(Championship Cup, 2nd prize presented by D. Gillies, Esq.), 7 rounds at 200, 400 and 500 yards—open to Members of the Field Battery only.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Gunner Stewart	32	31	22
Sergeant Hayward	23	31	23
Sergeant Lewis	30	28	23
S.-S.-M. Duncan	27	26	26
Gunner Henderson	23	23	26
Corpl. R. F. Lamont	22	26	27

Aggregate Net Score—(Championship Cup, 2nd prize presented by D. Gillies, Esq.), 7 rounds at 200, 400 and 500 yards—open to Members of the Maxim Gun Co. only.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Corpl. E. C. Shepherd	29	31	31
Corpl. W. W. Lamont	27	31	28
Gunner Crombie	25	27	27
Corpl. Firth	25	27	27
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Handicap 200, 400, 500 yards (prize presented by Members of the Corps)—Open to Officers only.

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Capt. McNeill	27	26	19
Capt. Murray	21	24	10

For Seven Volleys, Kneeling, at 300 yards (prize from Prize Fund).

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Sergeant Mainland's Sub-division	39		
Sergeant Lewis	39		
Sergeant Hayward	39		
Sergeant Doyle	39		
Sergeant Sanders (2 men short)	20		
Total Net Score, 7 rounds at 200 yards (Three prizes presented by the Ladies of the Community per Miss Barker).			
Gunner Shepherd	26		
Gunner Lewis	22		
Sergeant Sanders	22		
Gunner Hopkins	22		
Gunner Wilkinson	22		
Corporal Thompson	21		

Total Net Score—7 rounds at 300 yards (open to Members nominated by a Lady).

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Nominators.			
Miss Munner.	27		
Miss Lowrie.	27		
Miss G. B. Lamont.	27		
Miss G. P. Lamont.	27		
Miss Stewart.	25		
Miss Rutter.	25		
Miss Shepherd.	22		
Miss Broad.	22		
Miss Lamont.	22		
Miss Bayan.	21		
Miss Ross.	21		
Miss Barker.	21		
Miss G. B. Lamont.	20		

Total Balls in all events (prize by Capt. Murray).

	Score.	Pts.	Tot.
Gunner Shepherd	23		
Gunner Stewart	21		
Gunner W. W. Lamont	19		
Gunner Shepherd having resigned this event, the Tie will be shot off for the prize.			

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

GOVERNMENT OF THE "OROKA"—THREE SEASMEN DROWNED.

London, March 4.—The stormy weather prevailing in the Mediterranean is interfering with the efforts being made to float the Orient B.M.S. Oroya, which is grounded in the Bay of Naples. The passengers are being landed, and it is hoped that the steamer will be floated to-morrow.

Seventy of the Oroya's passengers have been landed. One has been killed, and three of the crew were drowned.

March 5.—The Oroya grounded at 4 o'clock in the morning during a heavy gale. Her passengers number 120 in the forenoon, 60 in the second class, and 81 in the steerage.

Further particulars in regard to the grounding of the Oroya show that the vessel lies with a list to seaward, about 300 yards from the shore. The Oroya took the ground in trying to turn during the heavy gale which was blowing at the time. The waves broke over the decks and above in some of the portholes. The vessel was severely strained in bumping, and nearly touched some jagged rocks in close proximity to the spot where she grounded. In consequence of the heavy gale blowing, the landing of the passengers was attended with some difficulty and amidst a some considerable excitement on board.

Later.—News has been received from Naples regarding the position of the Oroya. Instructions have been given for the cargo to be discharged as soon as possible.

The heavy weather still prevailing in the Mediterranean prevents the work of lighting the Oroya, from being carried out as effectively as could be desired.

March 6.—The position of the Oroya has become more dangerous, and it is now doubtful if the vessel will be floated off. Five hundred and fifty mail bags have been landed. There is a heavy snow running in addition to the heavy snows of the frequent occurrence. The work of discharging the cargo is consequently prevented from being carried out.

Later.—Lloyd's reports that there is no hope of floating the Oroya. The mails will be taken on by the P. and O. Mail, and the passengers and their baggage by the Oroya.

THE TRAVELLERS' CLUB.

London, March 7.—The Travellers' Club has blackballed Mr. Cecil Rhodes, the Premier of Cape Colony. In consequence of this action the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Fife, the Duke of Abercorn, and Earl Grey have resigned their membership of the club.

A BRITISH ADMIRAL KILLED.

London, March 7.—Rear-Admiral Henry Anthony Trollope has been run over and killed while attempting to cross the railway line at Eastbourne.

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.

THE FINAL EXTENSION OF JAPANESE.

While the peace negotiations which our correspondent believes will prove fruitless are proceeding at Bakon, Japan is getting ready for a final coup which is likely to bring the war to a conclusion. The expedition is believed to be ready to set sail by the end of this month. Its first objective is either Takao or Shantung, where it will probably be reinforced both from Newchwang and Port Arthur, and a combined march will then be made on Peking. The Japanese have already sent their troops to Peking, and even if the negotiations at Bakon result in a basis of agreement for a treaty of peace, we believe that one of the conditions will be the occupation of the Chinese capital until some part of the treaty's provisions have been carried out, or a portion of the indemnity paid. —*Tele. Chronicle.*

SHANGHAI SHARE MARKET.

In his weekly Share Report, dated Shanghai 28th March, Mr. B. Rutledge writes:—

The past week has witnessed a fair amount of business, but the market has been somewhat unsettled. There is evidently money to invest, as the Shanghai Land Debentures have attracted considerable attention.

BANKS.—A large business has been done in Hongkong Banks, both for cash and on time. Cash transactions have been somewhat unsettled, and the rate of exchange has been somewhat unsettled. The rate of exchange has been somewhat unsettled.

INSURANCE.—Marine.—Canton has been sold to England at \$2,000,000, which is a record. The rate of exchange has been somewhat unsettled.

THE GREAT TEST MATCH.

ENGLAND v. AUSTRALIA.

We are indebted to the Sydney Morning Herald for the following summary of the scores in the final test match between Australia and Stoddard's XI.

Looking back over the week it will be remembered that on Friday last, the opening day, Giffen won the toss, and, with a perfect wicket before him, naturally decided to bat. The first four wickets put on only 142 runs, by no means a satisfactory state of affairs; but Darling and Gregory then came to the rescue, and pulled the innings out of the fire, carrying the score to 282 without another wicket going down.

Although the Englishmen have some chances, their fielding was otherwise marvellous, and it would not be possible to recall a match in which the bowling was taken quicker in the field or returned faster to the wickets. The second day, Saturday, will always be memorable for its vast attendance, nearly 20,000—being the largest ever seen at a cricket match in Australia. Curiously enough, Gregory and Darling, the men who had done so well the first day, only added 4 runs; while, on the other hand, the last wicket put on 47 runs—a much better result than was expected from the partnership of McKinnon and Jarvis. The innings closed for 414 runs, and people began to speculate about a follow-on for the Englishmen when Brookwell, Stoddard, Ward, and Brown were out for 103 runs; but the innings looked much better when the score was carried up to 400, without another wicket going down. A notable feature of the day's play was the wicket-keeping of Jarvis, whose arm was in getting rid of Brookwell and Stoddard was quite a revelation of what it was capable of. The result of the match was a complete success for the Englishmen, who were victorious by 103 runs.

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